

## BISHOP BREWSTER MAKES TWO ADDRESSES BEFORE DIOCESAN CONVENTION OF EPISCOPALIANS

Interesting Review of Church Work Contains Many Suggestions for Campaign During Coming Year—Memorial Address a Tribute to Departed Members of Church In This State.

New Haven, June 14.—With delegates, clerical and lay, present from various churches about the state, the annual convention of the Protestant Episcopal diocese of Connecticut opened here yesterday at St. Thomas' Church. Bishop Chauncey Brewster, who presided, addressed the convention and also gave the memorial address.

Bishop Brewster in his address said: The Rev. Dr. John J. McCook is just completing the fifteenth year since his ordination and entrance upon the rectorship of St. John's Church, East Hartford. Heartily we rejoice with him and his people in this double jubilee and congratulate him and them not only upon the length but upon the character of his priesthood, and upon what has been accomplished at St. John's. The substantial and beautiful pile of buildings stands as an outward and visible result of distinguished service through all these years most generously and self-devotedly given to Christ and His Church.

"The most important single event of our year was the consecration of the Suffragan Bishop. I desire to express my grateful appreciation of the help he has given me, and I rejoice with you all in the way he has taken up the work and taken hold of the hearts of the people to whom he has ministered.

**The Preaching Mission.**

"The preaching mission was held in many churches throughout the diocese. I want to express my recognition of the services of the clergy who gave themselves so devotedly to this extra and exacting labor of love. The mission, I am confident, did good, if to no one else, certainly to us who preached. The experience brought, I trust, to our preaching more humility and more of reality and vitality. People standing outside of visible Christianity were not, I fear, reached as largely as had been hoped. But I have from various quarters evidence of fruit in a deepening of the spiritual life of our own people.

**Congregational Music.**

"Some incidental benefit I look to see follow the informality and flexibility that characterized these preaching services. It is, in my opinion, time to inquire whether we should not have more of aggressive evangelistic preaching and whether there should not be offered more simple and flexible services adapted to the people we ought to be reaching, without interference with our regular services. It is high time also to consider whether we ought not to have a much larger proportion of music which, while not poor and trashy, shall yet be in accord with the democratic principle essential to true catholicity, music wherein we may really let the people praise God; yes, let all the people praise Him. They will be glad to do it, if you will let them.

**The Church Pension Fund.**

"A year ago the very competent commission appointed to consider the Church Pension Fund reported strongly in favor of the plan, using the language: 'If put into operation its benefits to the church would be incalculable.' In accordance with their recommendation it was voted that the diocese of Connecticut adopt and enter into the system of the Church Pension Fund. A strong committee of laymen has been appointed to start the movement throughout the diocese.

**Care in Admission to Ministry.**

"The hoped for inauguration of the Pension system definitely necessitates greater care, as regards candidates for the sacred ministry, to admit only men who really intend and are likely to be as most of the clergy certainly are, laborers in the vineyard. Certainly we are to take heed that no person be admitted as candidate for Holy Orders but such as give promise of proving apt and work to exercise their ministry duly, to the honour of God and edifying of His church. In this regard an initial responsibility rests upon the parish priest as well as upon the bishop. A bishop at the outset cannot lightly reject a young man recommended by his pastor. It seems well now to remind you laymen that in this regard you have a large share of responsibility. Before a man can be admitted as a candidate for orders, and again before he can be ordained deacon, or advanced to the priesthood, each stage there is required a certificate as to his worthiness and fitness, to be signed by a number of laymen. These testimonials looking to ordination it is a serious thing to sign. It is not right to sign them on behalf of any person unless you have personal knowledge, or actual and satisfactory evidence as to his character and qualifications.

**Parochial Finance.**

"It seems further to be necessary that I should again address particularly the laymen upon the subject of parochial finance. The weakness of some parishes is heaped chiefly to a lack of sound business methods. In the handling of moneys certain things ought to be done as a matter of course, for example, offerings taken up in church to be immediately counted by two officers, and the amount entered, full and detailed reports made of receipts and expenditures. Upon every vestry rests the obligation to insist upon the ordinary rules of business especially as regards accounts and auditing, taking for granted that every treasurer will welcome the adoption of rules which would be a protection to him and no reflection upon his honesty. There ought to be no possible ground for any complaint by parishioners that they are kept in the dark as to where the funds are or where the money goes. The more information given, the greater will be the interest taken and the more liberal the support given.

"Every parish ought to have wardens who will keep watch not only over the buildings and grounds but over the parish finances. There should be auditors who may audit, examining the accounts, vouchers, bank deposits and securities, in no perfunctory manner. Nothing that touches the church should be done in a perfunctory manner. Then we may hope to have no more instances of treas-

urers holding back offerings that have been designated for missionary and other objects. Then also there is hope that even a single case of a treasurer who steals from the church may be a thing of the past, unknown and impossible today. The wardens' reports have in a score of instances, where there are invested funds, failed to indicate compliance with the provisions of canon iii, of the security of Trust Funds. To this failure I have called attention in each instance. One vestry has formally thanked me for calling attention to the canon and voted to comply with its specific requirements.

"While I have found myself constrained to refer to this subject and to speak plainly I would here, and in this connection make recognition of the invaluable service rendered by large-hearted and able men who in the midst of the duties of professional or business life devote themselves so generously for the churches' sake, to the consideration of difficult questions, as members of vestries, and also of the committees and commissions of this convention. Their devotion and efficiency are gratefully appreciated.

**Salaries of the Clergy.**

"Speaking to such men about parochial finances, let me remind you of the steady increase in the cost of the necessities of life and of the fact that most of the clergy are receiving the same amount of salary that was paid years ago. You can figure for yourself the actual reduction in the stipend received. Many of the clergy of this diocese even with the aid of the committee on better support are receiving less than the minimum paid in the missionary field of the far West. Nor is it enough to look to a few of us to contribute to the cause of our pastor's meagre stipend. Recently I have been glad to learn of two parishes that have increased the salary. There ought to be more. I ask the representatives of our parishes here assembled seriously to consider the subject of an increase of the rector's salary where there has been no increase during the decade. In almost every parish it can be done, if you men will take hold and take the lead.

**State and County Institutions.**

"Recently visiting a state sanitarium having many patients I found there was no regular visiting on the part of any religious body. Other institutions are visited by our people, for example, in the New Haven and New London archdioceses. The wards of the Hartford hospital have for years welcomed Dr. Hart every Sunday. The Rev. Henry S. Harte is doing an interesting work at the State Prison, the Rev. Henry S. Whitehead is caring for the Middletown insane and there are other instances.

"There remain, however, institutions where, I believe, regular visiting would be welcomed. The matter ought to be systematically taken up. I now commend it earnestly to the attention of the archdeacons. There are clergymen who might spare time for such duty under the usual direction of the arch deacon. Our archdeaconry organization, is, I believe, capable of producing more of result. If not, let its machinery be mended and adjusted to greater efficiency.

**Rural Missions.**

"In Littleton archdeaconry we are starting a missions house at West Morris, St. Faith's-in-the-Fields, which I recently visited, and which I hope may prove a center of ministrations to many people, young and old, scattered through that region and unsheltered. "The Emmanuel Church, Killingworth, after notable improvements at the hands of the pastor himself and his people, will this month have an interesting celebration.

**Patriotism.**

"Today is Flag Day. At this time they were ill to forget loyalty to the things whereof our flag is symbol. Patriotism may have sometimes been 'the last refuge of a scoundrel,' as religion is the primary pretense of a hypocrite, but, as we pray for the increase of true religion, so we cherish a genuine patriotism. This is quite in line with that internationalism many of us are now looking for in hope. Said Marcus Aurelius: 'As Antonius, my city and country is Rome, but a man, the world.' That personal life is rooted in one's own home does not prevent love of the whole country. Even so love of the country need not limit one's outlook and sympathy. To be an American need not mean a single heart-beat less of fellow feeling with democracy and freedom fought for in France, or make one less aspire to be a citizen of the world. It were well for the church of Washington and Patrick Henry, Madison and Jay, to inculcate the high patriotism which means to be not recreant to those ideals for which the fathers of this country so devotedly stood, and also to be not blind to shortcomings of the nation today.

"With the continuance of the war, there threatens a grave peril. When there is so much of unspeakable suffering beyond the seas accomplishing its stern work of chastening, we in America have need to beware of the peril of deterioration. It is for us to pray against that state of smooth and comfortable ease, to pray for uplift and for vision, that we on our part lest we become ignoble, may somehow fill up that which is lacking of strenuous discipline and that this people may turn to the sureties of the reverence and self-control and righteousness which alone make nations great.

"If this wicked war, so wantonly begun, shall at last and in the triumph of the cause of right and humanity and liberty, it will be a new and a different world. May God spare us for what he is preparing for us! In Him is the true preparedness. It were well not only to strengthen the national defenses but also to set our house in order.

"Not to be neglected is the preparedness that lies in the quality of citizenship and the character of public opinion. In deepened popular convictions of right and justice between man and man and between nations; a

steadfast stand against the devastating march of ignorance and greed and against their consequent evil, renewed loyalty to, and reliance upon, the family as the unit of society, the ending of the present rate of infant mortality, the conserving of child life, and adequate training of youth, the welding of these incoming folk of all kindreds and tongues into a worthy citizenship, the realization of better relations between man and men, the reconciliation of clashing classes and the reintegration of society through the realization of a truer social organism, by the people and for the people bound together by the bonds of a real brotherhood, as the kingdom of God comes upon the earth. Here lie manifold tasks for Christian men and women, tasks wherein the church of the Son of Man is to be not without interest and share, as an instrumentality of that Kingdom of God.

"God help us in this diocese to be not wanting to the present opportunity and its demands!"

The nomination made for the standing committee of the diocese, the delegates to the general convention and deputies to the synod of the first province, follow:

Standing committee—Rev. Dr. Samuel Hart, George T. Linsley, J. Chauncey Linsley, Rev. Dr. Stewart Means, Rev. Dr. Storris O. Seymour, and Mr. George Thompson.

Delegates to general convention—Clerical: Rev. Dr. James Goodwin, Rev. John N. Lewis, Rev. J. Chauncey Linsley, Rev. Dr. Ernest DeF. Miel; Lay: Gardiner Green, Henry Hemingway, Burton Mansfield, Charles A. Pease, Henry A. Reese, A. Heaton Robertson.

Deputies to synod of first province: Clerical—Rev. J. Eldred Brown, Dr. James Goodwin, Rev. John N. Lewis; Lay: Harry H. Hemingway, Burton Mansfield, Charles A. Pease, Charles H. Tibbitts.

Bishop Brewster's memorial addresses follow:

"By Brothers of the Clergy and Laity:

"Since we last met two bishops have died: Dr. Robert Codman, bishop of Maine, and Dr. George Miller, bishop of South Dakota. Less than a year ago I happened to be present at a visitation by the late Bishop of Maine. No one then dreamed that in a few weeks he would be gone. Engaged in the practice of law, on the death of a brother he took his place in the sacred ministry. After a few years in the priesthood, he was bishop some fifteen years. To the stern sense of duty which he inherited as a tradition from his Puritan ancestors he added a strong hold upon the Catholic faith in its rich fullness and its contact with the living Lord incarnate. In warm sympathy with his clergy and people, generously he gave of his means and devotedly he gave himself to the work of his great missionary diocese which he left stronger than he found it.

"Bishop Miller was graduated from Berkeley Divinity school and before his ordination did good missionary service in this diocese. He was one of the youngest members of the House of Bishops. Almost at the beginning of a most promising episcopate he gave up his life in devotion to the vast work that had been committed to him.

"Three clergymen who died during the year were Rev. James Edward Coley, of Westport, ordained in 1858, the oldest clergyman on the roll of the diocese in continuous residence; Rev. Foster Ely, D. D., of Stamford, ordained in 1864, and Rev. Emerson Jessup, who lived in Westfield, Mass., ordained in 1871.

"The diocese has suffered signal losses among the laity. Soon after the last convention there entered into rest Mr. James Junius Goodwin, warden of Christ Church, Hartford. His benefactions had not been confined to his parish church. He was most generously interested in the welfare and in the history of his native city and commonwealth, was a benefactor of Trinity college, and the latest act of his life was the giving to the diocese a house for the bishop's residence. He was not only a benefactor but of himself, his time and thought and sympathy and effort. He had worthily represented the diocese in several general conventions. By simplicity and uprightness of character, a high sense of honor, deep reverence, steadfast loyalty and devotion to the best things, he adorned the doctrine of God, our Saviour.

"St. Paul's, New Haven, has suffered notable loss in the death of Mr. Benjamin Rice English, for many years a warden, and of Prof. John Christopher Schreyer, who had filled a large place in the parish and community and had long given faithful and efficient service to the diocese, as treasurer of the fund for Agnes and Infirmary Clergy and of the Clergyman's Retiring Fund.

Prof. Schwab had rendered to Yale University distinguished services. He was a consecrated man and the graces of his character had endeared him to a host of friends.

"These and other brethren do now rest from their labors. Tomorrow at God's altar we shall thank Him for their good examples, and pray for grace to follow them.

"Since the last convention I have visited churches, chapels, missions and places to the number of 116, five of them more than once.

"In the course of these visitations and at other times I have officiated on 197 occasions, delivered 284 sermons and addresses, celebrated the Holy Communion 46 times, officiated at five funerals and have confirmed 1,267 persons.

"The suffragan bishop has confirmed 825 persons.

"Acting on my behalf the bishop of Colorado confirmed two candidates.

"The total number of persons confirmed in the diocese during the year is 2,094.

"Four persons have been ordained to the diaconate and two deacons have been advanced to the priesthood. "Thirteen clergymen have received letters of dimissory and been received into the diocese, and nine clergymen have received letters dimissory. "The number of clergy coming to the diocese at present is: Bishops 2; presbyters 208; deacons 9; making a total of 214. Also the bishop of Colorado, is officiating as minister in charge of Grace Church, Saybrook, and 14 presbyters are officiating under my license, making the total number of clergy within the diocese 228. There are at present 14 candidates for Holy Orders.

"There are serving in the diocese 21 deaconesses and trained women workers and 72 lay readers, regularly licensed. I have consecrated two churches, laid the corner stone of one church, dedicated one parish house, and laid the corner stone of one parish house.

"The convention was preceded during the forenoon by three gatherings each an hour in length in Trinity church and over which Bishop Brewster presided. The first was given up to Sunday school auxiliaries with short addresses by Rev. Charles M. Addison,

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of St. John's, Stamford, on "The Model Sunday School" and by Rev. J. W. Sutter, Jr., of Christ Church, Springfield, Mass., on "Week Day Religious Instruction in the Episcopal Church." Then followed the social service hour during which E. M. Phipps, president of the New Haven Orphan Asylum, spoke on "Methods of Caring for Dependent and Neglected Children," and Col. N. G. Osborn spoke on "Prison Reform in Principle and Practice."

### BASEBALL BITS

Cincinnati leads the league in making double plays. Herzog's men have put through forty-five two play killings.

A Little Rock grocer has been fined \$50 for baiting a ball player. He should go in business with Ty Cobb's butcher.

Connie Mack in a recent interview

(He stands for one every few years) declared that the Yankees looked as good as any team in the American league and declared that Donovan's crew would win the pennant. Con is a man of few words, but he generally says a mouthful when he speaks. For instance three years ago he picked the Braves when every other expert shunned them, and they delivered, and later licked his champs.

Burns, the Tigers' first baseman, who was benched for light hitting this spring is pressing Speaker for batting honors in the American League with an average of .324.

Uncle Robbie has the right idea.

Alexander and Mammaux fought out a great pitcher's battle in Philadelphia Monday. Each allowed but four hits. It takes a fellow like Aleck to beat Mammaux when the Pittsburgh youngster is right.

There is no umpire baiting on the part of the Brooklyn players. There are

one or two other managers in the National league who might take a page from Robbie's book.

Ivan Olson is about ready to play again, but as O'Mara is putting up such a good game at shortstop Robbie doesn't like to make a change.

### Zira Carnival Will Show at Wheeler Lot

After a most successful engagement of one week at the grounds at State street and Hancock avenue the Zira Carnival company has moved to the Wheeler lot at Boston avenue and Brooks street, just off the East Main street car line. There the show will remain for the entire week. There are 100 attractions, including the Whip, Ferris Wheel, Animal show, Indian show, Wild West, Dog and Pony show, Freak show, a score of riding devices, and an army of concessionaires, peanut vendors, hot dog men and lemonade brewers. There is a

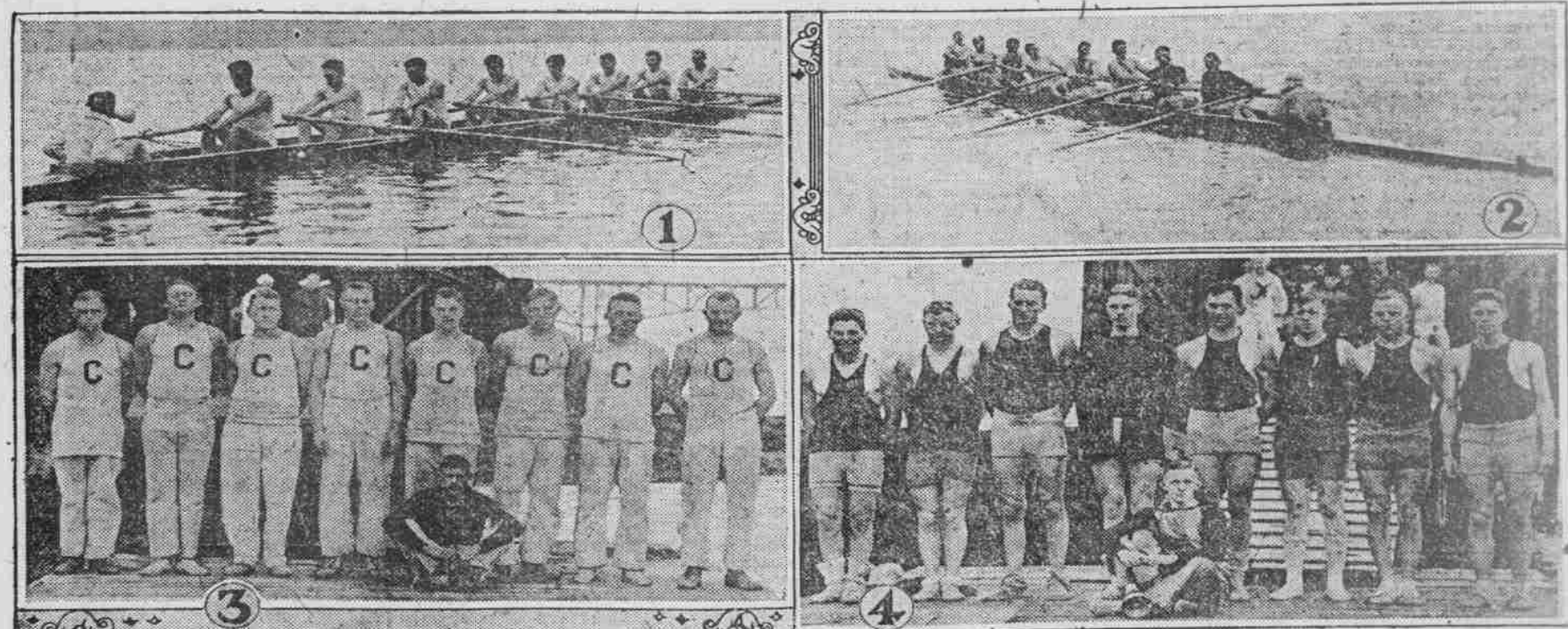
band concert every afternoon and night by the Zira military band. Darling Dell makes a sensational bicycle ride down an incline every afternoon and evening. Trolley cars and jitney buses pass the grounds every minute. Admission is free.

### NAVAL MUSEUM FOR AMSTERDAM

Amsterdam, June 14.—A Historical Shipping Museum is to be founded at Amsterdam at a cost that is provisionally put at \$400,000, and Prince Henry of the Netherlands has agreed to become patron of the project. The museum will portray the development of shipping and of everything connected therewith from the earliest times to the present day. At the same time, a movement is on foot in Rotterdam, the other big Dutch port, to establish a modern technical shipping museum in that city.

Trustees of the Central Aguirre Sugar Co. declared a cash dividend of \$25 a share.

## INTERCOLLEGIATE ROWING REGATTA AT POUGHKEEPSIE IS AN OPEN AFFAIR THIS YEAR, SAY EXPERTS



Poughkeepsie, N. Y., June 14.—Four fine crews, ranking as high as those of years gone by, will jump away from the starting line in the shadows of Crum Elbow next Saturday afternoon, June 17, in the big race of the intercollegiate regatta on the Hudson. Although there will be fewer crews in the race this year than at any time since 1897, nevertheless the regatta holds quite as fixedly the attention of the sport loving world as it ever has. There is a touch of romance to it, too, in the fact that it marks the passing from active duty of Charles E. Courtney, dean of American rowing coaches, who for thirty years was at the helm of the Cornell navy. To Courtney has been granted the boon of seeing his crews—his boys, he calls them—win the lion's share of the one glory that comes of victory on the heaving tide of the Hudson. Although Courtney is to give up the reins now after his long years of service, it may be that his last race will be one of the hercest fought of his long career. Opposed to the Cornell crew, which, although developed from a poor and unpromising eight, is fast becoming one of the most powerful rowing units Courtney has ever brought to the Hudson, there are a smooth rowing, hard pulling crew from Syracuse, a finished, resourceful crew from Columbia and a fairly good one from Pennsylvania. These three crews spell trouble for Cornell in the big race now less than a week away, and it will take all the magic and wizardry of the "old man" to bring victory once more to the banners of the Cornell crew. Layout shows the four varsity crews. No. 1, Cornell; 2, Syracuse; 3, Columbia; 4, Penn.